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"Together we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves!"

The Rotary Club of Calgary comprises professional and community leaders brought together in fellowship to make a better future.

A promotional graphic for Rotary software. It features the Rotary logo, "PINS", "END POLIO NOW", and "Rotary" logos. Below are logos for "Rotary Software for Clubs & Districts" (Powered by ClubRunner) and "ClubRunner for iOS and Android" with a "Learn More >" link.



Birthdays

Joe Fras	January 22
Michael Colborne	January 25
Peter Adesina	February 3

Anniversaries

Paul Chave 35 years
 Michael Colborne 30 years
 Ron Hymers 10 years

Inspirational Quote

"If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude".

– Maya Angelou

A Great Christmas Club Meeting

[2024-12-17 Christmas Club Meeting.](#)

Club Assemblies Coming Right Up

Manon Mitchell

Now that we have firmly settled into two standard club meetings each month, and with amazing speakers by the way, it is becoming apparent that even with a meeting lasting 1.5 hours, there is not enough time to deal with club business and have enough time for fellowship and connecting. A proposal to hold 1 club assembly each month was approved by the Board. Watch for more details as we publish the agenda and dates for these club assemblies. Committee Chairs and Directors, this will be your opportunity for getting in front of our club members to increase awareness of club activities, provide information and gather feedback on our members' club experience. More information coming soon!

Rotary Employment Partnership – News Update

Al McMillan

Evenor now has a job at MEC (Mountain Equipment Coop) thanks to the Rotary Employment Partnership. Support from Rotarians was key to the Partnership’s success in filling 70 new jobs last year in Alberta. We continue to need your help as a Rotarian to introduce the Partnership to employers with an interest in learning more about hiring individuals with an intellectual disability. It all starts with a discussion.

Contact Mike Colborne or Al McMillan if you would like more information. To read some success stories in our Winter Newsletter, [click here](#).



Nadia Maarouf | Top 40 Under 40 2024

Christina Frangou

(From a published article in Avenue magazine October 30, 2024)

Nadia just celebrated her 1st anniversary as a Rotary Club member. She's a scientist working to prevent and cure heart disease for people everywhere- even in space.



Photo by Jared Synch. Location: Centennial Place

[Read more...](#)

COG Editor Stepping Down

Manon Mitchell

After over 2 years in the position of Editor, I have to step away from this role as my role of District Governor Elect is now requiring more of my time. If you have a passion for being in the know and love sharing stories, this position is for you. You would be joining the great team of Diane Macdonald, Doug McMillan and Ebenezer Mensa. Together, this team makes the COG happen every 2 weeks. There are many people who provide articles on a regular basis so the job is more about inserting the stories in the COG rather than writing them. This position comes with lots of support and I'll spend time with you ensuring you know exactly how to add great stories from our club. Please contact me as soon as possible so we can cross train and ensure smooth transition.

Rotary in Full Bloom: Let's Color Calgary Together!

Deb Hymers

Blanket Calgary with Rotary Colors!

The Rotary International Convention is coming to Calgary in June 2025, and we need YOUR help to make our city shine! Let's welcome Rotarians with vibrant blooms in Rotary colors—showing the world our Rotary pride.

Brighten Up Any Spot!

Choose from stunning flower options for sunny or shady areas. Plus, for the first time ever, grab our *22-inch show-stopping planter* is sure to turn heads!

Order Deadline: January 31, 2025

Don't miss out! Our growers begin planting on February 1, ensuring your pots are bursting with color.

Pickup Date: Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Two convenient locations to choose from.

 **Order now to secure your blooms!** [Click this link to ORDER your plants now \(deadline Jan 31, 2025\)](#)

 Let's create a city full of Rotary magic together!

Questions? Contact Marlene Doherty at doherty8@telus.net.

Vocational Service Month

Manon Mitchell

January is designated as the month for Vocational Service- one of Rotary's Five Avenues of Service. During this month, we aim to inspire, empower, and transform individuals through our various vocations and networks. We focus on creating and promoting high standards in work ethics, service, and personal integrity.

What will you do to assist?



2024 Charitable Donation Deadline Extended!

Department of Finance, Govt of Canada

The Federal government has extended the deadline for charitable tax receipts until 28 February 2025. It's not too late to make that donation to:

- [Calgary Rotary Clubs Foundation](#)
- [The Rotary Foundation](#)
- [Our Club's Programs](#)

[Click here to read the official statement](#)

When is the COG published?

Manon Mitchell

You can find past issues on our website under [Members > COG Bulletins](#)

If you'd like to have us publish an article or have an idea about what we should be publishing, please forward your ideas to [Manon](#) or [Diane](#) by the FRIDAY before the Tuesday publication date.

You are also welcome to contact either Manon or Diane to discuss any idea you may have.

Here are the publication dates for the first half on 2025:

Feb 4, 18
 Mar 4, 18
 Apr 1, 15, 29
 May 6, 20
 June 3, 17

If you enjoy reading the COG, [let us know](#) because your comments are the only way we know we are hitting the mark and it is our reward!

Proudly Presenting Our Corporate Members



Upcoming Events

[Luncheon - Guest Speaker Lisa Davis](#)

133 9 Avenue Southwest

Jan. 28, 2025 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Mountain Standard Time (UTC-07:00)

[Frank n' Stein \(1st TUESDAY\)](#)

CHECK YOUR EMAIL

Feb. 04, 2025

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

[Luncheon - Guest Speakers - Gitane De Silva and Grant Sprague](#)

133 9 Avenue SW,

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